













January 19, 2017

## VIA FEDEX

Martin Rebholz, RA Borough Commissioner Manhattan Borough Office 280 Broadway, 3rd Floor New York, NY 10007

Re: 12/29/16 application for New Building at 430 East 58<sup>th</sup> Street,

Block 1369, lot 34; BIN 104059, Job No. 121191423 (Project)

Dear Mr. Rebholz:

This letter is submitted on behalf of Borough President Gale Brewer, Councilman Daniel Garodnick, Councilman Ben Kallos, NYS Senator Liz Krueger and the East River Fifties Alliance. On December 29, 2016, DOB received an application for the above referenced-Project. On January 12, 2017, DOB disapproved the application as incomplete. We ask that you and the department continue to disapprove any new or amended applications for the Project and decline to issue any interim permits for foundation, excavation or other work prior to (1) the applicant's submission of a complete application and (2) DOB's completion of review of the full set of new building plans for zoning compliance.

The parties are deeply concerned about the zoning compliance of the Project, which has been subject to extensive litigation and public controversy over the past year. We have submitted an application for a zoning text amendment to the Department of City Planning for this community. In light of these events, it appears that the applicant is seeking partial approvals (based on an incomplete application) in an effort to rush the approval process. And regardless of that zoning change, we have serious questions about the zoning compliance of this Project. Moreover, neighbors have also expressed concern about the integrity of residential buildings bordering the Project. It is imperative that you and your department exercise your discretion and decline to issue any permits until the new building application is complete, DOB zoning analysis is complete and zoning diagrams are made publicly available.

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We appreciate the DOB's careful attention to this letter and look forward to a prompt response.

Sincerely,

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